

## HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 15, 2004

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met June 15, 2004, by published call in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pamela Lancaster.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Pastor David Zellmer Messiah Lutheran Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were Jim Eriksen, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster, and Robert Rye. Scott Arnold arrived at the meeting. Also present were County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz and representatives from the *Grand Island Independent*.

Eriksen made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Accept and place on file the minutes of the June 1, 2004 meeting
2. Approve the final plat for JPM Subdivision
3. Approve the final plat for Butterfly Subdivision
4. Accept and place on file the office reports from Register of Deeds, Emergency Management, Hall & Howard County Juvenile Services, Clerk of the District Court, County Court, Hall County Sheriff and County Clerk
5. Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
6. Accept and place on file communications as received

Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

### OFFICE REPORT MAY 2004

TITLE FEES STATE	\$15,722.75
TITLE FEES COUNTY	\$ 8,236.25
RECORDING FEES	\$ 20.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 600.00
PHOTO FEES/FAX FEES & MISC.	\$ 24.75
PLAT BOOKS/OTHER	81.00
CERTIFIED COPIES MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 105.00
TIME CARD FEES	\$ 0
TOTAL	24,789.75

OFFICE REPORT  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
MAY 2004

COURT COSTS	\$2,505.45
BONDS	350.00
FINES	200.00
COURT APPOINTED ATTNY FEES	100.00
PHOTO COPY FEES	202.75

OFFICE REPORT  
HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES  
MAY 2004

JUVENILE REFERRALS	43 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	1 JUVENILE
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	1 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	299 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$1,339.54

OFFICE REPORT  
HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES  
MAY 2004

JUVENILE REFERRALS	7 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	28 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED FOR MONTH	\$650.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$ 1,300.00

OFFICE REPORT  
COUNTY COURT  
MAY 2004

FINES (CO.)	\$ 53,317.80
OVERLOAD FINES	726.60
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	1,145.48
WORK RELEASE FEES	00
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	00
FINES (CITY)	6,393.00
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	323.20
BOND FORFEITURES	1,690.00
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	14.00
TOTAL	\$ 64,223.08

OFFICE REPORT  
REGISTER OF DEEDS  
MAY 2004

DOCUMENTARY STAMP FEES	\$ 6,291.53
RECORDING FEES	21,354.00
PHOTO FEES	532.11

OFFICE REPORT  
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF  
APRIL 2004

FEES MILEAGE & MISCELLANEOUS	\$17,115.19
COPIES	83.00
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	50.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	4,030.00

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation and no one responded.

6 ELECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – APPROVE ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE PROVIDER & BALLOT LAYOUT SERVICES AGREEMENT – Arnold stated that the election committee met with Dale Baker and the County needs to approve a new agreement with Election Systems & Software, Inc. The fees for the services have not changed but there have been some changes in the ownership of the company so a new contract needs to be signed.

Arnold made a motion and Hartman seconded to approve the contract with Elections Systems & Software Inc. and authorize the chair to sign the agreement. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

7 DISCUSS & TAKE ACTION ON REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVE DOHMEN TO HALL COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – The County Board received a letter from the Housing Authority recommending the reappointment of Dave Dohmen to the board. This will be for another three year term.

Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the reappointment of Dave Dohmen to the Hall County Housing Authority Board. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

8 DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON REAPPOINTMENT OF JIM REED TO CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOARD – The board received a letter recommending the reappointment of Jim Reed for another three-year term to the board.

Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to reappoint Jim Reed to the Central District Health Department Board. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

9 CONSIDER MOTION TO RESCIND THE MOTION ADOPTED ON JUNE 1, 2004 TO TAKE NO ACTION REGARDING THE TORT CLAIM FROM MICHAEL & DENISE WISSING – Hartman stated that he had talked to County Treasurer Doris Mason twice this morning and the county could pay the interest. Discussion was held on what action the board would have to take and Board Assistant Stacey Ruzicka stated that she contacted County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz concerning the proper procedure and it will be necessary to do two motions one to rescind the original motion and then one to address the action that the board wants to take.

Hartman made a motion and Arnold seconded to rescind the motion from June 1, 2004 to take no action regarding the tort claim from Michael & Denise Wissing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and Jeffries voted no. Motion carried.

Hartman made a motion and Arnold seconded to pay the interest in the amount of \$259.53. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and Jeffries voted no. Motion carried.

County Treasurer Doris Mason requested to speak to the board. She stated that it is the responsibility of the property owner to make sure all of the taxes on their properties are paid or provide the office with a list of their properties when they are paying the taxes. The Wissing's were informed of the tax sale and received a foreclosure notice so they should have been aware that this needed to be taken care of. Arnold stated that he felt the people did not understand what the notices were and this is offered as a settlement. Ms. Mason stated that she has posted a notice in her office that it is the taxpayer's responsibility to make sure that all of the taxes are paid.

Arnold made a motion to present the offer to pay the interest to the Wissing and request that the County Attorney draw up a settlement agreement for the Wissing's to sign and drop the tort claim. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

**12 DISCUSSION REGARDING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR BOOKMOBILE –** Arnold stated that the committee has been meeting regarding the contract but Steve Fosselman has a concern that the interlocal agreement expires June 30<sup>th</sup> and they would like to continue the current agreement until a new agreement can be completed. The dollar amount that they would receive would remain the same until a new agreement is completed.

Arnold made a motion and Hartman seconded to extend the current interlocal agreement on the bookmobile until the new agreement can be completed. The annual base amount that the county pays and the keno supplement will be the same. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

**16 COMMENCE AUDIT OF BI WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND REGULAR CLAIMS AND ACTION ON CLAIM AUDIT –** Eriksen made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the bi-weekly pay claims and regular claims and authorize the clerk to pay, but to deny claim #04060045 to Bryan LGH in the amount of \$77,558.80. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

**4 9:30 A.M. MIDLAND AREA AGENCY ON AGING BUDGET INFORMATION –** Lois Stienike with Senior Citizens was present and she introduced Mr. Dick Bowers the new executive director for Midland Area Agency on Aging. Mr. Bowers stated that it has been a delight to be the executive director. MAAA covers eight counties and there is a definite need for their services. Each county in the district runs their own services but the funding is funneled through Midland Area Agency on Aging. The MAAA Hall County membership fee of \$6,635.00 represents \$.70 for each person over the age of 60 in Hall

County. This is a 5 cent per person increase of the membership fee over the past several years and would be a total increase of \$474.00. The older population is growing and they want to help people stay in their homes as long as possible. Mr. Bowers stated that it is important to let people know about the services, people do not like to ask for help, but it is less expensive to provide the services than to put them in care facilities.

Arnold stated that he is on the board and will now be able to attend the meetings because he does not have a conflict. These are valuable services and it is important to encourage people to use them.

Eriksen questioned which county has the highest older population. Some counties may be higher because they may draw the retired population.

Rye made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the Midland Area Agency on Aging request and approve the increase in the membership fee. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

9 EXECUTIVE SESSION – IT DIRECTOR NEGOTIATIONS

10 EXECUTIVE SESSION REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS

11 EXECUTIVE SESSION VISITOR PROMOTION COUNCIL NEGOTIATIONS – Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session for the three executive session as listed. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

9:43 a.m. to 9:49 a.m. executive session for IT Director negotiations

9:50 a.m. to 9:58 a.m. executive session for real estate negotiations

9:59 a.m. to 10:13 a.m. executive session for visitor promotion council negotiations

10:14 a.m. Jeffries made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

BOARD ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Board Assistant Stacy Ruzicka was present but did not have a report.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Hartman – no report

Humiston – no report

Eriksen – He reported that there was a health board meeting June 14<sup>th</sup> and reminded the board members to be sure to turn in the 125 Flex plan applications by Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Rye – no report

Arnold – all reported on

Lancaster – She stated that after the board passed the resolution regarding the veteran's benefits and the issue on the general and honorable discharges she had received a letter from a Mr. Keith Levitt objecting to the resolution. Lancaster read the letter to the board members. She called for discussion.

Hartman stated that all of the Hall County Veteran's Board members were present at the meeting last week and they are all veterans and supported this. The only thing this is doing is asking the legislature to review the state statutes for clarification.

Arnold also stated that this is only asking for direction from the legislature. He feels that they did the correct thing for now until there is clarification on the definitions. He stated that he appreciates the letters and comments.

Eriksen suggested that these letters be forwarded to Mr. Shuda and also the people need to let the legislature know how they feel.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Lancaster called for new or unfinished business and Mr. Hartman questioned if the board was going to send a card to Larry Harnish. That will be done today.

No other business meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. The next meeting will be June 29, 2004.

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Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk